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**DEATH.**

On 16th March, 1910, at No. 4, Seymour Terrace, Hongkong, FREDERICO GUILHERME (Fritz), the dearly beloved son of Porphyrio Maria Nolasco da Silva and Cecilia Guilherme Machado Nolasco da Silva. [162]

**The Hongkong Telegraph**  
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 1910.

**MILITARY CONTRIBUTION.**

At the meeting of the Legislative Council at Singapore, on the 11th inst., there was laid on the table a despatch from the Secretary of State, having reference to the question of the Military Contribution in the Eastern Colonies. The paragraph in this connection reads:—"I have to inform you that, in view of the loss caused to the Colony by the diminution of the revenue from opium I am in communication with the Lord Commissioners of the Treasury with a view to the grant if possible of some assistance from Imperial funds. I have also informed their Lordships that in my opinion the time has now come when the arrangements with regard to the military contribution should be reconsidered, and I have invited them to agree to the appointment of a Committee, composed of representatives of the Colonial Office, the Treasury and the War Office, to consider *de novo* the whole question of the contributions paid by the Eastern Colonies. These questions are at

present under the consideration of the Treasury, but I trust that before long I may be able to communicate their Lordships' reply to you." This is a question in which Hongkong is vitally affected and which, it may be remembered, was referred to in one of Sir Frederick Lugard's public statements to the Council last year. In nothing the despatch as affecting Singapore, the *Free Press* of the Southern colony, which has upheld the interests of the taxpayers throughout the long period of this vexed controversy, writes editorially in part as follows:—"Especially will this inquiry affect the cases of this Colony and Hongkong, because in these two Colonies the interference of the Home Government with the excise basis of the revenues, amounting in the Straits Settlements to roughly half the entire revenue, is bound to entail on the finances of these Colonies an extreme disorganisation, and possibly a risk of additional taxation that may even impair the free port status of the Colony." As has been already made the subject of notice H. E. the Governor has spared no trouble to represent the case for the Colony in regard to a revision of those items of revenue which equitably ought to be excluded from a liability for the provision of the 20 per cent revenue which constitutes the Military Contribution. It is understood also, although information has not been officially communicated, that the Committee of the Straits Settlements Association has been engaged in a careful statistical analysis of the whole question for a long term of years past with a view of framing recommendations based on such analysis. But it is further understood that, considering that throughout the Empire as well as in the United Kingdom, efforts were being made generally in the form of more extended military service or a larger voluntary expenditure on naval provisions, it was held to be not expedient, on that ground alone, to attempt from this end to challenge the *pro rata* basis of 20 per cent which it would require a very strong case to disturb with any hope of reconsideration. The matter, however, assumes an entirely different aspect when our fiscal system, on which the 20 per cent calculation was based, comes to be compulsorily disturbed by the direct action and the direct responsibility of the Imperial Government.

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You said in the course of your examination that your expenses came to \$13,000 before you went to Foochow?—Yes.

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Why didn't you report yourself to the Court at the date fixed for your discharge?—Because I was at Foochow.

The Court ordered you to appear at the end of one year?—I reckoned according to the Chinese New Year. I was at Canton when I received my solicitor's letter and I came at once.

The first time that you were seen at Hongkong after your arrival from Foochow was on the 7th of March. That's rather later than the end of the Chinese New Year?—I left Foochow on the 28th February.

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Mr. Heit—I'm not saying that. I'm merely asking that on the face of the circumstances your Lordship ought not to suspend debtor's discharge. If your Lordship will make an order to make absolute debtor's discharge it will practically amount to an undertaking by the debtor. An order by the Court suspending debtor's discharge will apparently do no good to the creditors, as Mr. Fletcher informs me that the creditors have not attended meetings and don't seem to take any interest in the proceedings. I would suggest an extension.

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**GOVERNOR'S VISIT TO MACAO.****EXCHANGE OF COURTESIES.**

"As announced in our yesterday's issue, His Excellency the Governor left for Macao this morning on a return visit to the Governor of Macao. Sir Frederick Lugard was accompanied by Capt. H. M. Taylor, A.D.C. Commodore H. Lyon, R.M., with Mr. Blanchflower, private secretary, also formed the party. The Governor is on board H. M. sloop *Bromley*; and as the visit is a purely official one, no stay will be made at Macao beyond the landing and call on Sanho Marques at Government House. The *Bromley*, with the distinguished visitors on board is expected back in Hongkong between 7 and 7.30 o'clock this evening.

**IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.****A DEBTOR'S ABSENCE.**

Before Hon. Mr. W. Rees-Davies, K.C., Acting Chief Justice, at the Bankruptcy Court this morning, Tsai Chuang-tsi applied for his discharge to be made absolute. Mr. F. P. Holt appeared for the debtor.

Mr. Heit stated that the last order made in the matter was an order which suspended the discharge of the debtor for one year, with directions to the debtor to appear before the Court at the end of the period. On the 4th December, the period of suspension expired and defendant failed to appear before the Court. Mr. Fletcher upon this communicated with him and he wrote a letter to the debtor, who did not receive the letter because he was at Foochow and the letter was sent to Canton. Debtor understood that he was to appear at the end of the Chinese New Year. He was really there to explain why debtor had failed to appear.

His Lordship—he did not understand the effect of the letter?

Mr. Heit—He knew the suspension was for one year but he recollects according to the Chinese New Year. I submit that the Official Receiver cannot have any objection unless he is in possession of some new facts.

Debtor was called into the witness-box and stated that he was at present without means. His father as administrator supported his wife and he depended on his friends for his own support. He received no fixed amount and roughly received about \$10 or \$20 a month from the children of his elder brother.

The Official Receiver—How are you able to wear those clothes?

Debtor—There's nothing stylish about them. They are ordinary clothes.

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THE FINANCIER says that it has hitherto not admitted that there was a rubber boom, but it must now admit that it has come.

THE CANTON MERCHANTS' GUILD, Singapore, and the "Woo Loo" Club, Singapore, have been registered under the Societies' Ordinance.

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**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT  
CO. LTD.****ANNUAL MEETING.**

The twenty-first ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the Green Island Cement Co. Ltd. was held in the office of the general managers, St. George's Buildings, in the forenoon to-day, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the general managers for the year ending 31st December, 1909, declaring a dividend and electing a consulting committee and auditor. Mr. G. K. Haxton (chairman of directors) presided. Others present were:—Messrs. A. Rodger, F. Taster (directors); J. Forbes, J. McCorduald, J. D. Kinnaird, J. L. Andrew (general manager). The General Manager having read the report convening the meeting,

There being no questions, The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. T. F. Hough.—Having already received the report and accounts and hearing what our Chairman had said, there is very little for me to add except to tender a meed of praise to the general managers on the way they have handled the affairs of the company under exceptional circumstances. With these few remarks I have pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. T. F. Hough moved the re-election of Sir Paul Chater, Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson and Dr. J. W. Noble to the consulting committee.

Mr. E. W. Terry seconded.

Agreed.

Messrs. W. H. Poole and A. O'D. Gourdin were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. Tong Lai Chun seconded by Mr. Fung Shui Wa.

The Chairman.—That is all the business, gentlemen. I am much obliged to you for your attendance and to Mr. Hough for his remarks. Dividend warrants are now ready.

A NATIVE was awarded one month's hard labour and six hours' stocks in the Police Court this morning for stealing some clothing.

A CHINESE woman residing at 153, Queen's Road West was fined \$70 at the Magistracy this morning for being in unlawful possession of a quantity of opium.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor has been pleased to recognise Vice-Consul Markwald as being in charge of the German Consulate at Hongkong during the absence of leave of Dr. E. Voretsch.

AT Allahabad, Corporal Allen, Middlesex Regiment, has been found guilty of murdering R. G. Clapp at Mussoorie. He was sentenced to death, but a petition to the local government is being got up for his pardon.

THIS year has been an excellent year in tea, in so far as Siam is concerned. It is stated that more tea rats have been floated down to Bangkok, from the beginning of the year to the present, than has been the case for the last six years.

IT is notified that the offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Easter Vacation, which commences on Good Friday, the 26th instant, and terminates on Thursday, the 31st instant, except on Public Holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed.

THE first 100 per cent rubber dividend for Ceylon was declared on Feb. 28 by the Ceylon Planters' Rubber Syndicate, Limited, and to especially mark the occasion those present at the meeting, at the invitation of Mr. A. J. Denison, drank, in champagne, the health of the rubber enterprise in general and the Ceylon Planters' Rubber Syndicate in particular.

JUDGMENT has been delivered by the Court of Cassation in Tokyo in the case Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China v. Kawashima Ginko, dismissing the appeal of the defendant with costs. The judgment of the Kobe Court in favour of the Chartered Bank for 10,000 and interest, which was upheld by the Osaka Appeal Court, therefore, stands and the case is now finally concluded.

A SECOND case of opium smoking has been decided against Joe Claro of Ililo, who appealed from the decision of the court of first instance of Ililo sentencing him to pay a fine of \$2,000 for a second offence of infraction of the opium law. The appeal

## NOTES BY THE WAY.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

So the Hongkong University, which at one time was nothing more or less than a mere factory built on an artificial foundation, is at last an assured fact. What with the Kowloon-Canton Railway, this new seat of learning the foundation-stone of which was laid the other day and fortunes made by dabbler in rubber shares, Hongkong ought to make other opulence sit up and look. The richly-deserved elevation to "knighthood" of Sir Horatio Mody brings up our list of knights not in the Government service to three, which should be considered a fair number for this little Colony. I wonder how many future students the new University will exert its influence for good and how many will make for themselves a name to be respected? It is to be devoutly hoped that within the walls of the University when completed will be found men in the making and that it will not merely be a machine for the cramping of useless knowledge. This is my sincerest desire but whether that desire will be fulfilled time alone can tell.

## A QUESTION OF CRIMES.

What is this talk of tearing away the ceilings and slate-roofs of Chinese tenements? At the last meeting of the Sanitary Board Mr. Sheldon Hooper strongly objected to anything which provided for making houses rat-proof and any attempt to conditionally term certain houses " unfit for human habitation." It seems to me that if all the Chinese houses which do not conform to the rules laid down by the Sanitary Department were to be called " unfit for human habitation," they would provide accommodation for all the pigs in the Colony with room to spare for as many more. I have not arrived at this statistical fact in a haphazard sort of manner, as you are doubtless beginning to imagine, but I was able to master the difficulty after having given the question very careful consideration and after having bisected, and transected the official run of mind over and over again. It is difficult to imagine that in a matter where the convenience of hundreds of Chinese is concerned, and that's saying a great deal, the Sanitary Department should give expression to such a drastic proposal, providing as it does for the removal of part and parcel of every well-regulated tenement. They say that an Englishman's home is his castle, but what about a Chinaman? Why should not the dicum apply to him with equal if not greater force? I wonder on what hare-brained project the Sanitary Department will launch out next? May be, they will recommend the whole ceiling to be done away with in order to ensure the total disappearance of the rodents. I guess it would be the fashion to white away the tedious hours when the typhoon season is upon us by writing epics at a moment when the fury of the storm is at its zenith and creating lyrics on the subject of the beautiful canopy above hidden by a Hongkong mist.

## THE SPITTING NUISANCE.

Some time ago, as the result of the campaign started by the Sanitary Department in the cause of cleanliness, the Police authorities suddenly became imbued with a consuming desire to maintain the premises of the local Police Courts in a fit sanitary state. ... they caused to be placed in the verandah outside, the Court-rooms, where all manner of people are wont to congregate every day, a number of cupboards with a notice that those who desired to get rid of their phlegm should refrain from expectorating on the flagstone and kindly deposit the superfluous matter in the receptacle provided for the purpose. To provide against possible contingencies, the spittoons were actually fixed to the walls. This wholesome innovation was highly admired at the time it was introduced but a change has come over the authorities. The "spitting crusade" seems to have died a natural death. (Sanitary Board please note.) Such a thing as a spittoon is now as extinct as the dodo and visitors to the Magistracy are treated to the edifying sight of side-channels lined with expectoration. Why is this?

## THE NEW FLAGSHIP.

The booming of guns early on Monday morning signified the arrival in these waters of the new flagship of the China Squadron with Admiral Winslow on board. The new flagship marks a unique period in the Colony's naval defence scheme, as the *Mintaur* is the strongest and most powerfully equipped warship ever sent out to the Far East. I can assure the general salt in command and his jolly tars a most pleasant stay in our midst.

## THE AMERICAN TOURISTS.

The appearance of a goodly number of Americans in our midst these last three days imparted a decided fillip to the atmosphere of Queen's Road. The true American is nothing if not unconventional and it was scarcely remarkable to see some of the elderly dames encircled on various projections from the walls of buildings to allow them to snatch a breath after landing from the ship. Such blissful disregard of the dictates of rigid convention is indeed refreshing to behold. On the occasion of the visit of the last party of tourists, the saquive expectations of local shop-keepers to realize a modest fortune sustained a rude shock when they made the discovery that the general inclination of the alleged curio-hunters was in the direction of turning the establishments almost inside out and then departing with an insignificant purchase. Doubtless the shop-keepers must have thought their visitors were regular curios themselves. I wonder if John's inevitable experiences have been repeated this time? I am given to understand that the visitors who departed yesterday were a better crowd than the last batch from the point of view of shop-keepers, as judge from the remark one of them made to me: "This time along more better." Really, there is no denying that the Americans are a shrewd race.

## THE YANKEE'S GOOD TASTE.

It is remarkable the way some of the Colony's natural beauties caught on with the visitors. I was one of the passengers on the launch out greeting at a number of the visitors

were being taken on board the mammoth liner after the day's light-sailing. The sun was just setting in the west and the sky was lit up for a considerable distance with a golden glow, which evoked the ardent admiration of the spectators. Their admiration of the beautiful scene reached a pitch when suddenly the orb rose to view over the top of the purple-clad hills like a bright ball of fire, on which the longing gaze of the onlookers was fixed, accompanied with delighted exclamations. Some of them were heard to remark that it was the most beautiful sight they had ever seen, while some actually declared that the spectacle beat the splendour of the "Golden Gate" hollow. The bird's-eye view of Hongkong from the Peak tram also proved a revelation to the visitors, who one and all admitted that the tramway was a remarkable engineering feat. Michikins Hongkong is an enviable spot for other reasons besides money-making and rubber booms.

## CASUAL CRITIC.

## LAUNCHES IN COLLISION.

## CHINESE MASTERS' CERTIFICATES SUSPENDED.

Before Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, Marine Magistrate, an inquiry was held yesterday afternoon into the circumstances attending the collision between the two steam-launches *Astor House Hotel* and *K7*, on the morning of the 15th ultimo, in the waters of the Colony, against Leung Yau, certificate No. 737, master of the *Astor House Hotel* launch and Kit Shau, certificate No. 1,004, master of the *K7*, preferred by Mr. Leung Gameau.

Leung Yau stated that on 15th February at noon, his launch was alongside the a.s. *Monteagle* putting passengers' luggage on board. Part of the luggage had been out of his launch before the *K7* came; about half remained to be discharged. The *K7* came up from astern, and ran bows on to him striking his launch starboard side aft. By models witness illustrated that the *K7* came up from astern and glanced alongside striking his launch just before the funnel. One rail stanchion was broken; there was no other damage. (The repairs cost \$1.) The stanchion was made of iron; it was not broken, only bent. It was the covering board made of teak on which the stanchion was mounted that was broken. He had three fenders out but they were on the port side. They were all between his launch and the accommodation ladder. Two of them were astern, the other being against the accommodation ladder. He put them astern because he was afraid some launch might come and run into him. It was the custom of launches to put all their fenders out on the ship side, and not have any one to attend to them. If any other launches came up it was their business to take care of his launch; it was not his business.

Ko Shau stated that he wanted to go alongside the *Monteagle*. His launch was much higher than the other. There were no fenders out from either launch. In coming alongside he touched the other launch and damaged her a little. He had no fenders on board his launch.

The Court found Ko Shau to blame for carelessness and negligent management of his launch.

Leung Yau said that he had a "goose" in failing to have fenders out to protect his launch. Both certificates were suspended for one month. The damage would probably have been averted had the *K7* been provided with fenders.

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

## SEVERE SENTENCES.

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, 18th March.

Yesterday H.E. the Viceroy personally attended the court to try the alleged ringleaders and accomplices, 39 men in all, of the recent mutiny of the new regiment in Canton, and one of the prisoners named Wong Hung Kwan admitted the charges brought against him without the least hesitation. Wong made his admission in the presence of the Viceroy. After hearing the evidence the Viceroy passed sentence of death upon three of the prisoners and upon the rest imprisonment for life and various terms respectively.

## SYMPATHY FROM MANILA.

With reference to the recent mutiny in Canton on the Chinese residing in foreign countries have also expressed great sympathy with the disbanded troops. On the 17th inst. the Chinese in Manila sent a joint letter to the Self-Government Society in Canton, in which the writers asked the members of the society to convey their hearty sympathy with the troops. Accompanying this letter, the writers also sent a sum of \$500 to the society with the request that the members of the society would kindly spend the money for the benefit of the newly trained troops, who had been unfortunately disbanded, in any way they might think fit.

## AMERICAN TOURISTS.

At 9.35 this morning the steamer *Kinahan* brought up from Hongkong the last batch of the American tourist, on a visit to Canton. After doing the sights of the city the visitors left for Hongkong in the afternoon on board the same steamer.

## CEMENT TRADE.

## COMPETITION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The bid of \$ao gold per barrel, ship side delivery, made by the Societe de Ciment Portland Artificiel de l'Indo Chine, was the lowest in the proposals for 8,000 barrels of cement for the quartermaster's department at Manila and that concern got the bid. Anderson and Co. bid \$2.16; Peabody and Co. \$2.25; Stevenson and Co. \$ao; Findlay and Co. \$2.34.

ACCORDING to a Java contemporary, certain Dutch, British and French capitalists intend floating a syndicate under the style of the Plantation d'Extreme Orient. It will be capitalized at two millions of francs, and will be domiciled at the Hague, with branches at Singapore and Batavia. Needless to observe rubber growing will be the main object.

## COMMERCIAL.

## WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week, Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie and Co. write on 18th Inst.:—A fair business has been transacted during the week and several changes of importance have occurred, especially in some of the Shanghai stocks. Rubbers continue to provide a somewhat market and in most stocks further sharp advances have to be recorded.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks has ruled very steady since we wrote last, the price being unchanged at \$580 and in London £68 15s. Nationals are also unaltered with buyers at \$75.

Marine insurance.—Cantons have been sold at \$100 and more could probably be placed.

Unions have again changed hands at \$90. North Chinas are quiet at Tls. 115 and Yangtze at Tls. 220.

Fire insurance.—China Fires are required for at \$100, and Hongkong Fires have been parted with at \$333, closing firmer with buyers at \$315.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been dealt in to some extent at \$100. Indos are in demand at \$65, and in Shanghai at Tls. 40. Shell Transport have further strengthened to \$64.

Refineries.—China Sugars have improved to \$122, but shares are scarce. Luxon can be placed at \$35. Poitai Sugars, which should really now be classed with the Rubber stocks owing to their large interests in that commodity, have jumped to Tls. 850.

Mining.—Raubs have received some attention at \$6 to \$6. Headwaters are asked for at P. 14. Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. are quoted at Tls. 18.

Docks, Wharves, and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have had a further set back and \$60 is the best price now obtainable. Shanghai Docks are slightly weaker with sales at Tls. 82. Kowloon Wharves have also weakened since the dividend of \$12 was paid and buyers only offer \$60. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves are quoted in Shanghai at Tls. 115 ex the dividend of Tls. 4.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands could probably be obtained at \$101. Humphrey's Estates continue strong with buyers at \$82. Hongkong Hotels are offering at quotations, viz., \$10 for the old share, and \$85 for the new. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$85. Central Stores are offering at \$15.

Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons have been taken off the market at \$1. Ewos have been sold in the North as low as Tls. 125. Other Northern mills, according to mail advices, are as follows:—Internationals Tls. 62, Lau Kong Tls. 110, Soysches Tls. 370.

Miscellaneous.—Dairy Farms have again found buyers at \$18. China Bores are firm at \$91 ex the dividend of 60 cents just declared.

Hongkong Electrics are still in demand at \$100. China Engineers have been parted with at quotations, viz., \$10 for the old share, and \$85 for the new. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$85. Central Stores are offering at \$15.

Coastal Java.—A fixture has been put through locally at last rate paid.

To carry stones from Quangyuan two steamers have been chartered at \$10 per ton.

The North!—There is also more demand for tonnage in various directions up North, rates have stiffened and everything points to some improvement soon.

It is reported that the port of Newchwang will re-open about the 24th instant.

Coal Freights.—Fixtures have been done as follows:—Wakamatsu/Canton \$2.50; Moji/Hongkong \$2.80, Honay/Canton \$1.80 per ton. Tonnage to load from Japan is being eagerly inquired for, however, the rates quoted are so high that it is impossible to secure any.

Time-charters.—There was a sudden strong demand for handysize boats and again several vessels found employment on time-charter, most of them intended for southern trade. Rates obtained in most instances must be considered very satisfactory. Particulars will be found in the list of sailings.

Sail Tonnage Loading or to Load:—For Baltimore and New York—None.

Sail Tonnage Disengaged:—None.

Departure of Sailors:—None.

Events Coming.

Saturday, 19th March. Bandmann Opera Co., "The Arcadians" City Hall, 9 p.m.

Monday, 21st March. Hughes & Hough Auction sale of Sundries, at the Central Police Station's Compound, 11 a.m.

Geo. P. Lammett, Auction sale of shop fixtures, at 57 and 59, Queen's Road, 11 a.m.

Public Works Department, sale of Crown land, 3 p.m.

Bandmann Opera Co., "Our Miss Gibbs," City Hall, 9 p.m.

Tuesday, 22nd March. Geo. P. Lammett, Auction sale of furniture, at 37, Queen's Road, 11 a.m.

Hughes & Hough Auction sale of Jewellery, 2.30 p.m.

Geo. P. Lammett Auction sale of furniture, 6, Victoria View, Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.

Bandmann Opera Co., "Our Miss Gibbs," City Hall, 9 p.m.

Wednesday, 23rd March.

Hughes & Hough Auction sale of furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Geo. P. Lammett, Auction sale of furniture, at 3, Canton Villas, Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.

Thursday, 24th March. China Sugar Refinery Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting, at the offices of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.

Lorenz Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting, at the offices of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

Saturday, 26th March. Hongkong Hotel Half Yearly Meeting, 12.30 p.m.

Hongkong Regatta, 1 p.m.

Hongkong Football Challenge Shield final, 4 p.m.

Monday, 28th March. Lusitano Recreation Club Sports, at Race Course.

Boxing Tournament at Bell's View Stadium,

Tuesday, 29th March. Geo. P. Lammett, Property sale, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, 30th March. Buffs Athletic Sports, Kowloon Cricket Club.

Saturday, 2nd April. H.K.A.A. Sports, Kowloon Cricket Club.

Telephone 135. Fortuna, 1st March, 1910.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE.

WE have this Day authorised Mr. F. H. ARMSTRONG to Sign our Firm, Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK will Sign our Firm per Procuration.

REISS & CO.,

Hongkong, 18th March, 1910. [258]

## NOTICE.

WE have this day established ourselves as

TO IMPORT and EXPORT MERCHANTS, STEAMSHIP AGENTS, COMMISSION AGENTS, &c., at 25, Des Voeux Road Central.

OLOF WIJK & CO'S

EAST ASIATIC AGENCIES A.B. LTD.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1910. [260]

## NOTICE.

WE have this Day appointed Mr.

ARTHUR NILSSON as our SOLE

MANAGER for Hongkong.

OLOF WIJK & CO'S

EAST ASIATIC AGENCIES A.B. LTD.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1910. [261]

## NOTICE.

WE have this Day appointed Mr.

ARTHUR NILSSON as our SOLE

## Shipping—Steamers.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S Royal Mail Steamship Line.

## "EMPEROR LINE."

Between China, Japan and Europe via Canada and the United States, calling at Hong Kong, Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan) Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver B.C.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 DAYS YOKOHAMA TO VICTORIA, 21 DAYS HONGKONG TO VICTORIA SAVING 3 TO 7 DAYS' OCEAN TRAVEL.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong and St. John, N.B., &c.

(Subject to alteration).

Connecting with Royal Mail Atlantic Steamers.

From Hongkong.	From St. John, N.B.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND"
SATURDAY, MAR. 26TH.	FRIDAY, APRIL 2ND.
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND"
SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD.	FRIDAY, MAY 20TH.
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	"ALLAN LINE"
SATURDAY, MAY 14TH.	FRIDAY, JUNE 10TH.
"MONTEAGLE"	"EMPEROR OF BRITAIN"
TUESDAY, MAY 24TH.	FRIDAY, JULY 1ST.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	"ALLAN LINE"
SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH.	FRIDAY, JULY 1ST.
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	"ALLAN LINE"
SATURDAY, JUNE 16TH.	FRIDAY, JULY 1ST.
"Empress"	Stearns will depart from Hongkong at 7 a.m.

Each Trans-Pacific "Empress" connects at Vancouver with a Special Mail Express Train and at St. John, N.B., or Quebec with Atlantic Mail Steamer as shown above. The "Empress of Britain" and "Empress of Ireland" are magnificent vessels of 14,600 tons, speed 20 knots, and are regarded as second to none on the Atlantic. The "Empress" Steamers on the Pacific and on the Atlantic are equipped with the Marconi wireless apparatus.

Passengers booked to all the principal points in Canada, the United States and Europe, also Around the World.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, 1st Class; via Canadian Atlantic Port or New York (including Meals and Berths in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent by Canadian Pacific direct Line). £71.10/-

Passengers for Europe have the option of going forward by any Trans-Atlantic Line either from Canadian Ports or from New York or Boston.

SPECIAL THROUGH RATES—Special rates (First Class only) are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Consular Services, European Civil Services Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the service of the Governments of China and Japan, and the families.

Through Passengers are allowed Stop over privileges at the various points of interest on route.

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE" carries only "One Class" of Saloon Passengers (termed Intermediate) the accommodation and commissariat being excellent in every way.

HONGKONG TO LONDON. Intermediate on Steamers and 1st Class in Canadian and American Railways.

Via Canadian Atlantic Port.

Via New York.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to:

D. W. GRADDICK, General Traffic Agent,

Corner Pedder Street and Praya (opposite Blake Pier).

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## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

## (PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamship	On
TIENTSIN VIA TSINGTAU.....	CHONGSHING	MONDAY, 2nd Mar., 4 P.M.
KOBE.....	ONSANG	MONDAY, 2nd Mar., 4 P.M.
MANILA.....	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, 25th Mar., 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI.....	FOOKSANG	FRIDAY, 1st April, Noon.
MANILA.....	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, 1st April, 4 P.M.
SGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA, KUTSANG.....	MONDAY, 4th April, Noon.	
SGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA, ZUMSANG.....	FRIDAY, 8th April, Noon.	

## RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (OCCUPYING 24 DAYS).

The steamers "Keling", "Nansay" and "Kookoo" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

General Managers.

Telephone No. 215.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910.

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Reduced Saloon Fares, single and return, to Manila and Australian Ports.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUL".

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in Staterooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried.

MANILA TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS and TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in Staterooms and Dining Saloon.

SHANGHAI LINE.

FAST SCHEDULE TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS (Awai, Choua, Linan, Choua, etc.) with excellent passenger accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloon, leave Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northwest China Ports.

N.B.—Passenger must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailing. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transhipment at Woosung.

Fares—\$45 single, \$80 return.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Telephone No. 56.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910.

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## HONGKONG—MANILA.

## CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	For	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
ZAVIRO.....	SATURDAY, 26th Mar.	R. Rodger.....	MANILA	at Noon.
SUBI.....	SATURDAY, 2nd April.	A. Fraser.....	"	at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910.

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## Shipping—Steamers.

## "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

## FOR LONDON, ROTTERDAM AND ANTWERP.

## THE Steamship

## "FLINTSHIRE."

Captain G. C. Cundy, will be despatched as above on 1st April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1910.

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## "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

## FOR LONDON, ROTTERDAM AND ANTWERP.

## THE Steamship

## "GLAMORGANSHIRE."

Captain H. G. Norris, will be despatched as above on 1st April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1910.

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## Shipping—Steamers.

## FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras and Mauritius.

## THE Steamship

## "GREGORY APCAR."

Captain S. H. Belton, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 2nd instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

DAVID SASOON & CO., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1910.

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## EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Timor, Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand; Tasmania, &c.)

## THE Steamship

## "EASTERN."

Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 6th April, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to:

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1910.

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## THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

## TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO

## OVERLAND COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, AND FOR THE PRINCIPAL PORTS IN MEXICO, AND CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

## FOR VICTORIA, B.C., TAGOMA &amp; SEATTLE

## VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

## Steamer Tons Capts. Sailing Date

Steamer	Tons	Captains	Sailing Date
ASYMIC...	4,163	J. Boyd.....	1910 7th April
SUPERIO...	4,657	—.....	1910 13th May
OCEANO...	4,657	F. W. Davies.....	1910 11th June
KUMERO...	6,232	J. Mathie.....	1910 5th July

These steamers are specially fitted for the carriage of Asiatic Steerage passengers.

PARMEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

FOR FREIGHT AND PASSENGERS.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.

General Agents.

Queen's Building, Hongkong, 4th March, 1910.

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## THE DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT

## DEATH OF CAPT. L. PETERSBN.

## AN OLD JAPAN RESIDENT.

We regret to record the death of Captain Lorenz Petersen, for several years a resident of Kobe, and whose total residence in Japan extended over some thirty years. Captain Petersen first came to this country in command of a sailing-ship, and for some years was engaged in sealing and whaling in the north. About twelve years ago he returned to Europe, but came back to Japan about two years later and joined the firm of Nickel & Co., with whom he remained until the end of last year, when he resigned, intending to go whaling again.

About the end of January Captain Petersen went to Yokohama to make arrangements for his proposed cruise, but a long standing though previously not serious affection of the heart became more pronounced, and he entered the Yokohama Hospital about a fortnight ago, where he died yesterday, 9th inst., after a very short illness.—*Japan Chronicle*.

## THE MALAY "ANTI-OPIUM" PLANT.

A little more than two years ago we published a short account of the Malayan plant, *Combretum Sundicum*, which was being put forward as a cure for the opium habit. Inquiries which continue to reach us with regard to this drug indicate that up to the present its reputed virtues have not been definitely established, nor on the other hand, has it been fully proved that the cures attributed to it either did not occur or were due to some other cause. In these circumstances it may be useful to summarize the small amount of additional information with regard to it which has been made available since the previous note was published. The use of the drug originated in the province of Selangor, Federated Malay States, where the plant grows freely; the leaves and twigs are prepared for use by roasting on an iron plate over a charcoal fire. In a paper published in the *Pharmaceutical Journal* for January 18th, 1908, an account is given of a preliminary investigation of the fresh and roasted drug by Mr. E. E. Harrison, who found both to contain a resin or resin, tannin, and phlobaphene (a derivative of tanin); alkaloids were proved to be absent, and no appreciable amount of any glucoside was found, though slight indications were obtained of the presence of a glucosid substance in very small quantity. A decoction of the drug, prepared in the manner recommended in Selangor, contained only traces of the resin, as was to be expected, and its principal constituent appears to have been tannin. Any medicinal virtue actually possessed by the drug must, of course, be ascribed to constituents soluble in water, and therefore extracted in making the decoction; the tannins of different drugs, while possessing in common an astringent character, frequently have distinctive individual properties, and it appears not impossible that bodies of this nature might be of use in mitigating the unpleasant temporary effects resulting from deprivation of opium after its use had become a habit. In an official report on the general situation in China in regard to opium by Sir Alexander Hosie, published last year, a short reference occurs to the use of this drug in breaking of the opium habit, and mention is made of a statement of an English missionary that he had employed it in about 50 cases, and in every case it had been successful in promoting a cure, but no medical evidence as to its usefulness is cited. On the other hand, a commission appointed to inquire into matters relating to the use of opium in the Malay States obtained a good deal of evidence with regard to the use of *Combretum*; and while the opinion of the lay witnesses was divided, the medical evidence was not favourable to the drug. This evidence included that of Dr. D. K. McDowell, C.M.O., Principal Civil Medical Officer in the Straits Settlements, Mr. M. J. Wight, State Surgeon at Perak, and several native practitioners. *Combretum* was stated to be of no more use as a cure than ordinary Indian tea, though its astringent constituents were said to have the property of stopping the diarrhoea which otherwise often followed the withdrawal of opium. It cannot be doubted that if the drug possessed anything like the specific properties originally ascribed to it, when its efficacy was stated to be proved in thousands of cures in a very short time, its usefulness must by now have led medical men in China and other Eastern countries where the opium question is acute to adopt it and report on the nature of its action. But even if it has failed to give results commensurate with the original claims, it is not necessary to consider whatever assistance it is able to give as an accessory in the cure of the opium habit. It may be added that the opinion expressed in our previous note on the drug that British pharmacy would probably provide a more suitable preparation for its administration than the crude decoction, was soon afterwards justified by the appearance on the market of an elixir, of which a notice appeared in the *Journal of April 11th, 1908.* (Brit. Med. Jour.)

## COMMERCIAL.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

## Selling.

London—Bank T.T.	1/8 13/16
Do. demand	1/8/1
Do. 4 months' sight	1/9/1
France—Bank T.T.	2/8
America—Bank T.T.	4/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	7/7
India T.T.	1/12
Do. demand	1/20
Bank T.T.	7/48
Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. Stock	7/31
Japan—Bank T.T.	7/53
Java—Bank T.T.	10/41
Buying.	
1 month's sight L/C	1/9/1
1 month's sight L/C	1/9/1
10 days' sight San Francisco & New York 4/31	
4 months' sight do	4/2
10 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne	5/9/1
1 month's sight France	7/23
6 months' sight	2/25
4 months' sight Germany	1/8/1
Bar Silver	23 11/16
Bank of England rate	4%
Sovereign	11/47

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 19th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has fallen quickly in Wladivostok and over Japan, the depression lying over Manchuria yesterday, having reached the neighbourhood of the former station.

Pressure has increased slightly over the Philippines and given way moderately over S. China and Formosa.

The depression to the E. of Luzon appears to have moved slowly towards N.N.E. since yesterday.

The highest pressure lies over the Pacific to the Eastward of the Bonins.

Moderate N.E. and E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, one inch.

## FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, E. winds moderate; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, moderate,

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Malacca, same as No. 1.

5.—Malacca, same as No. 1.

6.—Singapore for this port on 18th inst., at 5.30 p.m., and is due here on 23rd inst., at 6 p.m.

The N. Y. K. & H. (Hokkaido) Line, European Line, left Kobe for this port via Momi and Shanghai on 10th inst., and is expected here on 15th inst.

The P. & O. N. S. Co.'s s.s. *Sardinia* left Singapore for this port on 18th inst., at 5.30 p.m., and is due here on 23rd inst., at 6 p.m.

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## RUBBER ESTATE RETURNS.

	Jan.	Feb.	Total
Allagai	2,000		
Anglo Malay	49,306	49,718	99,024
Ayer Molek	1,344		
Ayer Kuning	200		
Balgowla	8,607	7,506	16,203
Banteng	1,306	1,259	2,565
Batu Caves	6,100	10,124	16,224
Bartam	12,500	10,000	22,500
Bukit Kajang	2,146		
Bukit Rajah	16,324		
Bukit Lintang	2,000	2,500	4,500
Carry United	5,550	6,000	11,550
Citizens Id.	3,374	2,185	5,552
Changkat Serdang	2,806		
Cicely	10,000		
Consolidated Malay	23,832		
Caledonia	20,000	14,760	34,760
Damansara	14,795		
Edinburgh	4,650		
Federated (S'gor)	10,505		
F.M.S. Rubber	22,860	22,779	45,639
Goding	5,000	7,500	12,500
Glesley	850	1,045	1,895
Glenabill	1,893	1,719	3,612
Golden Hope	2,389	3,748	6,146
Golconde	10,528		
Harpender			
High & Lowlands	43,176	40,724	83,900
Inch Kenneth	13,137	11,144	24,281
Jelong	16,000		
Kalumpang	7,695		
Kamuning	6,400	5,600	12,000
Kempsey	2,514	2,324	4,848
Kepong	2,250		
Kuala Klang	1,244		
Kuala Lubuk	2,032		
Kuala Lumpur	45,135	47,175	92,310
Labi	12,863	9,344	22,207
Landadon	28,657	20,558	49,215
Lansbury	8,048	8,020	16,068
Linggi	58,000	57,500	115,500
London Asiatic	8,911	7,555	16,467
Malacea Plant	27,080	27,000	54,000
North Hummock	18,883	(to end 1909)	
Nova Scotia	5,150	4,930	10,080
Pajam	1,000	1,150	2,350
Pataling	13,190	21,542	37,732
Pegoh	2,528	2,043	4,571
Pera Plant	11,632		
Ratnau			
Ribu Rubber	5,000	4,314	9,314
Rubana	10,350	9,870	20,220
Rubber Growers ss.	2,374		
Selaba	3,000	2,500	5,500
Sungei Choh	2,850	2,150	6,000
Sungei Kapar	17,100		
Sandycroft	9,848	6,438	16,286
Seafield	9,000		
Selangor	35,593		
Sembiran	3,377	17,820	21,197
Senawang	4,479		
Shefford	4,000		
S'pore & Johore	8,166	6,356	14,522
Singapore Para	5,000	4,300	9,300
Straits Rubber	20,000		
Sumatra Para			
Tanjong Salak	1,376	1,500	2,876
Tall Ayer	10,000	9,600	20,500
Teng	2,135		
Valambros	16,000		

[From the end of February all totals are calculated for the calendar year instead of the financial year, which differs with many companies.]—*Singapore Free Press*.

SWITZERLAND.—The following figures are calculated for the calendar year instead of the financial year, which differs with many companies.]—*Singapore Free Press*.

Per Mausang, from Sandakan—Miss MacLean and 21 Chinese.

Per Austria, from Trieste—Count Ovotrousky, Mr. and Mrs. M. Coffin, Mrs. Barn Oury, Mr. Caro Caoello, and 65 Chinese.

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## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie &amp; Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE DIVIDEND AT PRESENT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.		
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,100,000 \$15,00,000 \$25,000	\$2,001,819	4% for half year ending 31.12.09 @ 4%	\$200 sellers London \$25.12 (ex div.)
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	47	46	{ \$4,000 \$5,000	\$80,553	5s (London 1/6) for 1909	\$75 buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$150	\$50	{ \$1,160,000 \$185,458 \$204,923	none	5s for 1908	5170 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	15	15	{ Tls. 215,000 Tls. 140,500	Tls. 207,573	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1908	Tls. 114 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton	13,400	\$150	\$100	{ \$1,000,000 \$195,248	\$8,454,901	Final of 5/7 making 54/- for 1907 and Interim of \$30 for 1908	\$910 sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$1,000,000 \$294,405 \$190,264	\$707,617	5s and bonus \$3 for 1907	\$230 buyers
FIRE.							
China Fire Insurance Company	70,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$1,000,000 \$135,661	\$375,341	5s and bonus \$3 for 1907	\$109 ex div. b.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,433,773	\$168,711	5s for 1907	\$335 ex div. b.
SHIPPING.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$9,000	\$1,015	5s for 1906	\$71 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000	nil	2s for year ending 30.6.1908	\$32 sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$167,500	\$20,766	Final of \$12 for account 1910	\$30 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	45	45	\$10,000	\$73,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ 4% ex 1/11/10 = \$3.154	\$64 buyers
Do. Do. (Deferred)	60,000	45	45	\$140,000	nil	3rd ln. of 4/- per sh. (corp. No. 12) making 15/- for 1908 & Interim of 1/- for ac. '09	\$83 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	41	41	\$750,000	\$63,817	5s for 1908 & Interim of 1/- for ac. '09	\$26 sales
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$100,000	\$2,181	5s for 1907	\$141
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$150,000 \$36,848	Dr. \$2,858	5s for year ending 31.12.08	\$172 sellers
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	5	5	none	Dr. \$13,891	5s for 1907	\$21 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 5	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6.02	Tls. 10 for year ending 31.8.09	Tls. 740 buyers
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	51	Ps. 1	{ \$175,000 \$1,128,9	Dr. 1,481	Final of 1/6 making 5/- for 1909	Tls. 184
Headwaters Mining Company	60,000	Ps. 10	Ps. 10	none	none	First year	Ps. 10 buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	1	1	\$14,128	Dr. 1,191	No. 1/2 of 1/- = 48 cents	\$6 buyers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Fawick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$41,936	Dr. \$7,481	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	\$10
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$55	\$50	{ \$50,000 \$26,806	\$10,168	None	\$60 1/2 ex div.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	55	55	{ \$40,000 \$38,442	\$13,715	Interim of \$1 1/2 for account 1909	\$60 buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ \$221,000 Tls. 1,00,000	Tls. 6,561	Interim of Tls. 2/- for 1910	Tls. 83 buyer
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 1	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 697,257 Tls. 50,000 Tls. 185,000	Tls. 23,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	Tls. 127
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 1	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 4,234	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09	\$12 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	\$15	\$15	\$15,000	\$24,111	\$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue	\$10 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$55	\$50	\$50,000	\$19,372	Interim of \$2.40 on old and 40 cents on new shares for account 1909	\$10 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$10,000	\$27,91	Interim of 5/- for account 1909	\$83 sellers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$1	\$10	\$10,000	\$5,471	45 cents for 1909	\$80 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$30	now	\$24	\$2 for 19.9	\$28 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 1,523,045 Tls. 100,000 none	Tls. 14,2404	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1909	Tls. 105 s.
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,958	Final of 1.8/- for account 1909	\$42 sellers
COTTON MILLS.							
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 5	{ Tls. 250,000 Tls. 40,000	Tls. 10,001	Tls. 11 for year ending 31.10.09	Tls. 132 s.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$1	{ \$20,000 \$20,000	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	\$6 buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 7 for year ending 30.9.08	Tls. 66 sellers
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 6 for 1909	Tls. 75 sellers	Tls. 360
Sey Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 50	Tls. 15,173	Tls. 50 for 1906	...	...
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$1,500	\$1,648	15% per share for 1908	\$10
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$40,000	\$11	60 cents for 1909	\$10 ex div.
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$6,138	50 cents for year ended 28.2.05	\$62 sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$100,000	\$8,407	60 cents for 1929	\$83 sellers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	57	56	\$12,000	\$1,803	\$1.20 for year ending 31.7.09	\$18 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$15,000	\$3,756	Interim of 35 cents for account 1909	\$74 sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$15,000	\$3,707	8 cents for year ending 31.12.08	\$74
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$1	none	\$5,195	\$1 and bonus 10 cts. for year ending 29.2.09	\$10
Hongkong-Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$5,195	Final of \$8 for 1909	\$10 ex div.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$150,000	\$7,616	Final of \$1 making in all \$1 for 1909	\$10 sellers
Massachusetts Motor Mfg. Bosch-on Landbouwspoorbaan is Langka, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	{ Tls. 547,500 Tls. 63,924	Tls. 316,582	4th interim of Tls. 12/- for 1909	\$82
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$1,204	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on 1/-	\$12 buyers
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	\$10	\$1	none	\$1,640	\$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.09	\$130
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$20	none	...	Note	\$10 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ Tls. 14,810 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 5,250	Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908	Tls. 159
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$31,006	None	\$25 buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$63	40 cents for year ending 31.5.09	\$25 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$172	60 cents for year ending 31.12.08	\$20 sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$16,000	\$342	60 cents per ord. share for year ending 31.5.09	\$20 sellers
Watson (A.S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$300,000 5,000	\$2,613	Final of 30 cents for 1908	\$7 sellers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	none	\$783	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	\$21 buyers

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